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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Guangcai Xing, et al.

Application No. 09/298,064

Filed: April 22, 1999

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR
EXPOSING A SUBSTRATE TO PLASMA
RADICALS

Examiner: Zervigon, R.

Art Unit 1763

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT WITH PETITION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 1.97, Applicants desire to make of record the following references which were cited in a search report dated July 11, 2000 of the corresponding PCT application.

Enclosed is a copy of the search report which indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office where documents cited as category X are deemed relevant when taken alone; documents cited as category Y are deemed relevant when taken in combination with another reference; documents cited as category T are directed to the theory or principle underlying the invention and documents cited as category A are deemed relevant as technological background defining the general state of the art. Copies of these references are submitted herewith.

Since this statement is being filed more than three months from the date of the search report, but before the mailing of a final Office Action or Notice of Allowance, Applicants hereby

petition for consideration thereof. The petition fee of \$180.00 is submitted herewith. Please charge any additional fee due to Deposit Account 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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